



Hunger Stalks the Land in War-weary Countries

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# WHAT'S HAPPENING . . . .

● Dr. John Leypoldt, pastor of the Trinity Church of Portland, Oregon, has resigned and accepted the call of the Bethany Baptist Church of Milwaukee, Wis., where he will begin his pastorate about Jan. 1, 1946 and will succeed the Rev. Frank Veninga, now of Peoria, Ill. In the meantime, the Rev. Hugo Lueck will serve the Milwaukee Church as interim pastor.

● On Sunday evening, Sept. 16, the Rev. F. E. Klein of Stafford, Kansas baptized a young lady, who came to the church from the Methodists, and one of the Sunday School boys, who accepted the Lord at the Scripture Memory Camp. These were received into the fellowship of the church along with several others at the communion services on Sunday, Oct. 7.

● The Rev. Julius Ehrhorn of Dallas, Texas is serving as interim pastor of the Immanuel Church near Loyal, Oklahoma, since the Rev. William Sturhahn left the church to his new charge at Morris, Manitoba. Mr. Ehrhorn is a retired minister of our denomination, although he has ministered in a number of churches as an interim pastor in recent years.

● On Tuesday evening, Sept. 25, the B.Y.P.U. of the Baptist Church of La Salle, Colorado held its annual election of officers with the following results: president, Lloyd Krieger; vice-president, Evelyn Meyer; secretary-treasurer, Anna Jepsen; pianist, Mrs. Lloyd Krieger; group leaders, Oliver Oster and Pat Staudinger; adult advisor, Mr. Fred Meyer; and reporter, Eleanor Lesser. The Rev. A. E. Reeh is pastor of the church.

● The Rev. Henry F. K. Hengstler has been serving as the pastor of the Ebenezer Baptist Church of the Highland Park area of Los Angeles, Calif., since June 1945. He is a graduate of the Los Angeles Bible School and is now taking graduate studies in the school. His home was formerly San Antonio, Texas. His ministry in the Ebenezer Church has already been blessed of God and the church has grown appreciably.

● The dedication of the newly located Baptist Missionary Training School at 510 Wellington Avenue, Chicago, Illinois occurred on Sunday, Oct. 8. Miss Alethea S. Kose is continuing her teaching ministry at the school. Among the new faculty members is Dr. Dryden Phelps of West China Union University, widely known former Baptist missionary. The names of the students who come from North American Baptist Churches will be announced later.

● The Rev. H. G. Dymmel, home mission secretary, recently visited the Pittsburgh area, speaking at the Forest Church of Winburne, Pa., on Oct. 10 and at the Temple Church of Pittsburgh, Pa., and the Union Church of Arnold, Pa., on Oct. 14. He was the guest speaker at the Wisconsin Y. P. and S. S. Workers' Rally at the Bethany Church of Milwaukee, Wis., on Oct. 20 and 21. He will be visiting the churches of the Pacific Northwest in Washington before attending the Pacific Northwest Conference to be held at Kelowna, British Columbia from Nov. 14 to 18.

**OFFERINGS OF  
The Thanksgiving and Sacrifice  
Week  
November 18 to 25, 1945  
Will Be Designated For the  
FELLOWSHIP FUND  
FOR WORLD EMERGENCIES**

● Prof. O. E. Krueger in his chapel talks at our Rochester Baptist Seminary is basing his messages on the results of a pastors' clinic conducted by him at the Central Conference held in Kankakee, Ill., from Aug. 23 to 26. The 25 ministers of the conference were asked to "Spot the Weak Spots" and on six separate slips of paper to list the self-estimated faults as to personality, preaching, pastoral care, public functions, prayer, procedure in business and promotion. Many preachers would probably like to attend some of these chapel services and hear these messages.

● The Rev. Paul Hintze, formerly pastor of the Mowata Baptist Church near Branch, Louisiana, has been serving since October 1944 as a minister of God to the German war prisoners stationed nearby. He has been preaching three times each Sunday in this appreciated ministry. For many months his only son, Fritz, was reported missing in action in Belgium until word arrived on May 28, 1945 that he was free and would soon be home. The Rev. Paul Hintze is awaiting God's guidance for the days to come and is ready to serve any church largely using the German language.

● Miss Ann Swain, Southwestern Conference Scripture Memorization worker, assisted Rev. F. W. Bartel in evangelistic meetings at Gotebo, Okla., from Sept. 15 to 23. She rendered a similar ministry at meetings held at Bessie, Okla., from Sept. 24 to Oct. 1 with the Rev. Henry Pfeifer of Okeene, Okla., as evangelist. From Oct. 4 to 7 she participated in the program of the Nebraska Association at the Shell Creek Church. Until Oct. 25 she ministered in the Shell Creek, Creston and Beatrice churches of Nebraska in the interest of the Scripture Memorization program.

● On Sept. 23 and again on a Sunday in October, the Rev. Charles F. Zummach supplied the pulpit of the Baptist Church of Mt. Sterling, Missouri and conferred with the church regarding the remodeling of the parsonage. Plans have been made to tear down the old parsonage and barns, utilize a small house on the property and build a five room bungalow with bath. Mr. Zummach wrote that "this church will be an opportunity for self-sacrificial service for some aggressive young man who is rural-minded and willing to lose himself for the sake of the cause of Christ."

● On Sept. 19 Miss Elsie Jahnke of North Freedom, Wis., president of the Wisconsin Y. P. and S. S. Workers' Union, and Sgt. Walter Wilzewski, also of North Freedom, were married with the Rev. Thomas Lutz of the North Freedom Baptist Church officiating. Walter had been overseas in Europe for about 26 months and is now home on an extended furlough. He was the Sunday School superintendent before his induction into the Army. From Oct. 23 to Nov. 6 evangelistic meetings were being held in the North Freedom Church with the Rev. and Mrs. Paul Ford of Erie, Pa., as evangelists.

● On Sunday, Sept. 30th, Promotion and Rally Day was observed by the Franklin Baptist Sunday School of Franklin, Calif. On that day the school had the highest attendance of the year with 226 present, and an offering of \$36.26. It brought the total attendance for the year to 6967 or an average of 132 per Sunday. The total Sunday School offerings for the year were \$884.40 or an average per Sunday of \$16.68. Twenty-one Sunday School scholars received the perfect attendance award for the past year. The Rev. G. G. Rauser, pastor, wrote: "We have consecrated officers and teachers whose aim it is to exalt Christ and to implant his Word into the hearts of young and old."

● On Sunday morning, Oct. 7, the Sunday School of the Zion Baptist Church of Okeene, Okla., held its Rally and Promotion Day program with the superintendent, Mr. D. E. Weigand, in charge. Geneva Lorenz and Helen Reisig spoke on "What the Sunday School Has Meant to Me in the Past Year." Many other numbers were also presented. In the evening the Kings Daughters held their anniversary program with Mrs. O.G. Graalman, president, in charge. A missionary play and an address by the Rev. Henry Pfeifer, pastor, on the theme, "From A Jewish Orphan to a Persian Queen," were featured on the interesting program. Beginning with Oct. 21st the Rev. F. W. Bartel served the church as evangelist in profitable and well attended meetings.

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### Coming!

#### LET US BE THANKFUL!

The Thanksgiving Day observance in the United States will find reflection in the next issue with a brief thanksgiving sermon, an editorial on this important subject, and several appropriate poems and pictures. Such a reminder to be thankful is not needed by the Christian but is helpful in the Christian life!

#### LET US BE EVANGELISTS!

Several very fine and stimulating articles on evangelism in the church, Sunday School and young people's society have been received, which will be published in the next issue as space will permit. This is the season of the year when many of our churches are conducting meetings of this nature, so that the publication of the articles ought to be timely.

#### WHAT I SAW AT BUCHENWALD

Chaplain Donald G. Davis, pastor on leave of absence of the Baptist Church of Wasco, Calif., was one of the first United States chaplains to enter the Buchenwald Concentration Camp near Weimar, Germany. He gives a graphic account of the horrible things which he saw and found there, and interprets his experiences as a Christian minister. Reading the article will make all of us thankful that we are living on the continent of North America!

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# EDITORIAL

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## Heaven's Rich Blessings

DAVID LIVINGSTONE was a great Christian because of his deep concern for the enslaved peoples who needed his ministry of love. His success as a missionary reached unusual heights because of his outpouring love for others. As he approached the portal to eternity, he penned these words as his last: "All I can add in my solitude is, May Heaven's rich blessings come down on everyone, American, English, or Turk, who will help to heal this open sore of the world."

That word, which is inscribed on Livingstone's grave in London's Westminster Abbey, ought to be carefully read by every Christian today. This world has more open sores than at any time in the days of slavery. The wounds, which were struck so cruelly by the fiend of war, are still festering because of the suspicions, hatreds and rivalries of men. In fact, the most difficult task of this post-war day is to find the remedy for the healing of this open sore of the world.

Christians have that remedy in their possession. They have a wonderful opportunity to go forth as "medical missionaries" in manifesting the spirit of Christ for "the healing of all nations." By helping to feed the hungry and clothe the poor, they show the good will of people who seek no selfish gain for themselves. By ministering to others in rebuilding churches and helping them in their pitiful needs, they speak of the love of Christ which compels them to serve in this manner. Christ is preached and his Name is honored in such a ministry of love.

That is what David Livingstone meant by those last words of his on earth. Heaven's rich blessings come upon the one who ministers and gives to others in such a Christ-like spirit. They are like showers from above in bringing people of many nations together to live amicably with one another in peace and plenty. And such a time of peace must seem like "heaven below" to those who have gone through the wild terrors of the last war.

This will be your opportunity during the forthcoming observance of our denomination's Thanksgiving and Sacrifice Week from Sunday, Nov. 18, to Sunday, Nov. 25, or during the following week if your state observes Thanksgiving Day on the later date. Your gifts will help others in need and manifest the spirit of Christ to them. They will help to heal the open sore of the world of today. They will bring to you heaven's rich blessings to fill the storehouse of your joy to overflowing!



# Helping Our Brethren in Their Need

An Invitation to Give to the "Fellowship Fund for World Emergencies"

by Dr. WILLIAM KUHN, General Missionary Secretary

SINCE the close of active hostilities, we have received a few letters giving us first-hand information concerning the conditions in the war-torn countries of Europe. Some of these letters have reached us through United States Chaplains who have had fellowship with our own churches. Two of our pastors in Bulgaria have written directly to us, and only recently we received the first letter from one of our pastors in Yugoslavia. We are sharing this information with the readers of the BAPTIST HERALD, knowing that every bit of reliable information is eagerly read. In fact, these letters will make your heart bleed and stir you to help according to your ability.



The Baptist Church at Munch, Germany in Ruins as Photographed by Chaplain Paul Gebauer

## LETTER FROM CHAPLAIN WOYKE

Berlin, Germany  
Sept. 10, 1945

"Greetings from Berlin! My stay in this city during the past six weeks has been an experience of a lifetime.

"Soon after I arrived, I contacted some of our Baptist brethren. First, I was invited to speak to a union meeting; the past two Sundays I have preached to packed houses in individual churches (afternoons), and now I am booked through October already. The people are laboring under terrific difficulties, but they are carrying on in a noble manner.

"The most tragic condition just now concerns the millions of refugees—this time, Germans who have been driven out of eastern Germany. Most of them still do not seem to realize how terribly other peoples have suffered under the Nazis, and how many

were killed through starvation and torture. The trouble is, of course, that the innocent people now have to suffer."

## LETTER FROM A GERMAN EVACUEE

Through the kindness of Chaplain Frank Woyke, the Rev. John Kuehn of the Lyndock and Sebastopol Churches in Ontario has received the following letter from his brother in Germany. He has now released this letter for publication.

"Leipzig, Germany  
Sept. 9, 1945

"In our Baptist Church here in Leipzig we heard this morning that in two

"Since January of this year we have been wandering about as homeless evacuees. Our home in Tilsit has been destroyed by bombs. Tilsit is now a dead city. Under God's providence we had acquired a very fine textile business and our stock was at that time worth 50,000 Reichmarks. This was stored at Landsberg. All this is totally lost since the Poles have taken over Landsberg. Our bank balances are all gone. The Poles have advanced almost to Berlin, and now they are evacuating all Germans from East Prussia, West Prussia, Posen, Silesia and parts of Pommerania and Brandenburg.

## A PICTURE OF MISERY

"Millions of people are homeless and thousands are camping along the highways. That is a picture of misery that no one can imagine. No one of these evacuees can return to his own home, and winter is setting in. The Lord alone knows what will become of them. It may be that this letter will be the last sign of life from us."

"Last year I weighed 160 pounds; today only 120. My dear wife weighs but 95 pounds. According to our ration cards we are to receive 100 grams of meat per person for each week, but that allowance is only on paper. During three weeks we have only received 100 grams per person. There is no fat on the market. We should really receive three pounds of bread and five pounds of potatoes every week. We all are glad that this Hitler apparition is now gone forever. No one of us had ever dreamed that there would ever be such an unhappy time to follow. Our tears are our daily bread.

"We are grateful to God that in this unhappy time our family has not been separated. Our Siegfried served in the army for two years and was wounded on the west front last February. Siegfried is a fine young fellow and as tall and slender as you. Siegfried had graduated from high school and was ready to enter college. Our daughter Lydia is with us. During three years she was happily married until her husband was killed in battle in 1943 in Russia. Now she has also lost her home and all her savings. We are happy to have our nine-year old daughter Ingrid with us. She is the sunshine of our home. God be praised that we are still together! While being evacuated, many mothers had to leave their children lying frozen on the highway. Waves of sorrow have poured over the hearts of our people.

"We have no information concerning our two brethren Jacob and Christoph. In all probability, you are my only brother still living. My heart's desire is that I might see you and your family. I would gladly emigrate with my family to Canada, but how?"

## LETTER FROM JUGOSLAVIA

"Sajkas, Aug. 8, 1945

"My dear Brother Kuhn:

"As you have formerly taken a great interest in our church life in Yugoslavia, I, as the only remaining co-worker feel constrained to give you a description of our present situation. I am with my family at Sajkas. We are still living in the church building which is alright, and we also can say: 'The Lord hath done great things for us.' Unfortunately, there are no church members left here.

"The churches in Zabalj, Crvenka, Toza, Sekic and Petrovopolje are still left but empty for the time being. The church and the old people's home in Novi Sad are administered by the Serbian brethren who can also hold their church services unrestrained. We can hold our church services freely everywhere, and nobody is making difficulties for us. Thank God for the fact that we have religious liberty.

"Rev. A. Lehocky and Rev. George Bechtler had to serve in the army. Rev. Johann Sepper has lost his life in the war. Rev. S. Pinter is working for the Hungarian church in the Banat. I am working here at the mill. Because we have three children of 6, 10 and 12 years, I am forced to work for their support. Our condition is very depressing, as I have had no income for several months. We are especially short of linen, clothing and shoes. Brother Pinter and his family are in similar circumstances.

"How are you and our brethren in the United States? I hope that the Lord has spared and blessed you and Brother Leuschner. Now, my dear Brother Kuhn, I am sending you our request, asking you to help us and Brother Pinter, if you are in a position to do so, and we will be very thankful to you.

"Recommending you to God and his saving grace also for the future, I remain your brother in the Lord,

Karl Tary, Yugoslavian Pastor."

## VISUALIZING THE DESPERATE NEED

With all the information we may have received through the newspapers, radio broadcasts and personal letters, we can only make for ourselves a very imperfect picture of the destruction suffered by our Baptist brethren in European countries. During those long war years, bombing raids by day and night, pouring down thousands of tons of explosive and incendiary bombs in every raid, have wiped out large residential areas, killing and wounding thousands.

The sufferings of these countless throngs of refugees and evacuees, leaving their own homes and all their possessions and seeking a livelihood and a home elsewhere and many of them travel-weary and sick falling by the wayside to die, appeal to us for help. The members of many happy families are scattered never to join each other again.

The letter to the Rev. John Kuehn from his brother in Leipzig, Saxony gives us a grim picture of thousands

**DENOMINATIONAL THANKSGIVING AND SACRIFICE WEEK**  
From Sunday, November 18, to Sunday, November 25  
or  
From Sunday, November 25, to Sunday, December 2  
All Special Contributions or Church Offerings During This Time May Be Designated for the  
**"FELLOWSHIP FUND FOR WORLD EMERGENCIES."**

of families that have lost their homes, their possessions and their means of livelihood, with stark want staring into their faces as winter sets in.

Many fathers and husbands, now lying in soldiers' graves, have left their widows and children to wage that pitiless war against want with only the barest prospect of coming through victoriously. Many Christians, who have survived the terrors of the war, often actually wish that they, too, might have been translated from war's devastation and suffering to the unbroken peace of the Father's house.

Missionary Karl Tary of Yugoslavia tells us that all the members of our thriving Baptist churches in Yugoslavia have been scattered. Before the war, the pastors of all these churches were supported by us. Missionary Angeloff writes that the membership of the Gypsy church at Golinzi, Bulgaria has been scattered.

Hundreds of our church buildings in Germany, Poland and Hungary have been bombed to ruins. Here is an example of the terrible destruction. In the city of Berlin we have twenty-two Baptist churches, but only the one church building at Koepenick was spared. After the first World War we could help many of our churches in Europe and especially in Germany because of the favorable exchange of the American dollar, but that situation does not exist today.

These few meager glimpses of the

war's destruction in Europe overwhelm us, but how would we feel if we were face to face with the full reality which not only includes the homes and other buildings shattered to rubble, but also the lives of millions bruised and battered in body and soul?

## WE MUST HELP

Mail service between the United States and Bulgaria and Yugoslavia has been opened. Money remittances cannot be made to any of our mission fields in Europe except to Czechoslovakia. We are waiting for the actual dawning of that day when our suffering Baptist brethren in Europe will again be accessible to us, so that we can supply their needs according to our ability.

In the four zones of Germany we have personal contact and acquaintance with the leading pastors in each of these zones. We propose to have a special committee organized in each zone for the distribution of relief. Money, food and clothing will be distributed in each zone by the appointed committee. All shipments will be sent to a central place in each zone.

We propose to build up the same organization in Poland, Austria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Rumania, Bulgaria and Yugoslavia. In some of these countries the need will prove to be far beyond our own ability to help. In some cases we will do well to cooperate with other groups.

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Baptist Pastors in Yugoslavia at the Beginning of the War Whom We Were Supporting as Missionaries

(Standing, Left to Right: S. Pinter, J. Sepper, G. Bechtler, Ph. Scherer, P. Blatt, C. Tary. Seated, Left to Right: A. Lehocky, Carl Fuellbrandt (Director), J. Wahl)



# The Youth Fellowship Crusade

The Project of the National Young People's and S. S. Workers' Union  
in the Interest of the "Fellowship Fund for World Emergencies"

## A CALL TO ALL YOUNG PEOPLE'S GROUPS

By Rev. J. C. Gunst, Young People's Secretary

The Youth Fellowship Crusade project, as most people know, is the National Union's part in the denominational Fellowship Fund for World Emergencies. Five organizations within the Union have made the Youth Fellowship Crusade a special project for their conference year. A fairly large number of the local young people's societies in our churches have contributed a very gratifying sum to the Youth Fellowship Crusade thus far.

Reports are now coming through from several of the European countries about the existing conditions in these war-torn areas. Our chaplains tell us that the need is truly very great. We shall never have a true conception of the dreadful devastation and the gigantic need as it exists in that part of the world where bombs destroyed practically everything.

In my reading lately I happened to see this statement by a missionary to the Philippine Islands:

"The most outstanding memory of the three years I spent in a Japanese prison camp is that of how terrible it is to be hungry. One day during January, 1945, I was near the end of the line for the afternoon meal, and when the corn meal mush gave out just ahead of us, several of us cried because we were so hungry. The next day I waited in line with many others from noon until 4:30, so that I would be sure of receiving some mush, but I never waited that long again, for by the time I received my helping I was too tired and weak to eat it. My relief and joy were indescribable when our American forces liberated us and our suffering days of hunger were ended. There are millions of people who are still faced daily with hunger, fear and want. Constantly, I think of them and pray that people everywhere will give generously so that they may receive help."

Some weeks ago I was guest speaker in the Calvary Baptist Church of Tacoma, Wash., where the young people and Sunday School leaders took the initiative in planning a Youth Fellowship Crusade program for a full day on that Sunday. A fine offering of over \$1300 was realized for the Youth Fellowship Crusade Fund. This is not one of our larger churches, but one where our people know how to count their blessings and at the same time share them, in the spirit of the Lord, with those in need.

Mr. Henry Schmunk, our National Director of the Youth Fellowship Crusade, and the members of his commit-

tee, are doing a great work in keeping this important program before us. Let us support them to the best of our ability, for they represent a worthy cause. We are very much concerned that each young people's society and every Sunday School, large or small, may prayerfully consider having a very prominent share in the Youth Fellowship Crusade. The need is great; so in gratitude for the abundance we possess, let us help those in need while we can.

## WE HAVE ENOUGH WHILE OTHERS SUFFER

By Mr. Henry Schmunk of Tacoma, Washington

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto Me." Today because of the second World War, there are 10 million homeless men, women, and children in Europe alone. Whole towns and cities have been destroyed; not a single house or building remains, not a single living soul. Everything is completely destroyed.

In such a devastated Europe the need is universal. It is everywhere, and it is bottomless, without end. Heartbreaking is the cry of a hungry child asking for a piece of bread that mother or father cannot provide. For in some cases a week's labor is not enough to pay for a loaf of bread. Can that mother or father say, "Be still, my child, for there is bread enough for all coming soon from the people of America, who were spared all this."

The suffering, anguish, disease and pain of these people are unbearable. An epidemic breaks out—no hospital to which one might go; no doctor one might call; no medicine at the corner drug store—no help—no hope—naught but to die! And daily they are dying by the hundreds and thousands. There is want for the pettiest things, such as matches, soap, salt, sugar, and if there were sugar there is no coffee to put it in. No meat, and if there were meat, no pots to cook it in. No flour, and if there were flour, no stove to bake bread in. No wood, no coal, no window glass, no shoes, no blankets, no clothes. With the coming of winter—what a dreadful thought! Because of the lack of food, many will die; but because of the lack of clothing, even more will perish.

Christ has said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto Me." Even if it be the gift of a cool glass of water, a dry crust of bread, or an old cast-off garment.

How can we here at home complain about food rationing when over there in one city alone 30 thousand cats were sold on the black market for

\$6.00 a cat. In some places they would eat even rats—if they could get them.

There are 500 thousand destitute children who have survived their parents. They have neither father nor mother. Either their parents died or were killed during the war. These children are roaming the countryside like wild animals. They are half naked and pick up what they can, here and there. Anything with which to sustain life. These, too, are stretching forth their hands across the ocean, as it were—calling to us for help. Are we going to let them perish?

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto Me." Can we see Christ in these helpless, hopeless, war-ravaged peoples of Europe? If so, how can we possibly help but give? And if we withhold our gifts from these so needy, could it be that we are withholding them from Christ himself? God grant that we might see the need, the dire need, and seeing it, give—as unto Christ himself!

## HELPING OUR BRETHREN

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As there is no possibility to send clothing to any European country at this time, we suggest that our people everywhere have patience and keep their used clothing in their own homes for later shipment to Europe. We will need large shipments of used clothing. Wait for our advice.

As of October 10, 1945 we had received \$142,936.99 for the Fellowship Fund for World Emergencies. We must now accept as our first objective to build up our Fellowship Fund, so that we can reach our goal of \$250,000. Our destitute brethren in Europe are sitting in deep and heart-crushing shadows of death, while we here in America have been spared most of these agonies and living in the times of plenty.

These Baptist brethren of ours belong to the family of God. They, like we, are redeemed by the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ and sealed by his Holy Spirit. They are incorporated with us as members of the body of the glorified Christ. In some states Thanksgiving Day will be observed on Thursday, November 22, and in others on Thursday, November 29. During the Denominational Thanksgiving and Sacrifice Week, either from November 18 to November 25, or from November 25 to December 2nd, let us listen to the still small voice of God's Holy Spirit, as he prompts us to make our offering to him for our Baptist brethren in Europe. During this week all special contributions may be designated to the Fellowship Fund for World Emergencies.

# Let the People Prepare for Revival!

A Spiritual Summons for These Times by the Rev. F. W. BARTEL of  
Benton Harbor, Michigan, General Evangelist of Our Churches

Now that World War II is over, and the young men and the young women from our Armed Forces are returning to their homes, a renewed and earnest effort should be made with urgent diligence for the revitalization of our churches to meet the greater tasks and challenging opportunities of the new day of peace. This is imperative, lest in returning to normal peace time pursuits we should fall back into the same with "business and pleasure as usual" old habits of selfish gain and ease, and we should fail of the vision for post-war spiritual reconstruction.

That new and better world, of which we hear so much, can only be built with regenerated men. As never before, the bankruptcy and utter futility of all human wisdom to solve the world's problems has become apparent to all, and more and more Christ appears as the only hope of the world. The great need of the hour is a spiritually vitalized church with a holy zeal and passion to preach the gospel of Christ to our late enemies, as well as to all the peoples of the world. For the effectual all-out preaching of Christ throughout the world and the winning of millions of men to Christ will do more to solve the problems of race and greed than anything else.

It may well be, that with the return of peace God is even now opening wide the doors to world-wide missionary endeavor for the last time. For with the coming of the atomic bomb, revival and soul winning become more imperative than ever. Today it is no longer "Christ or chaos", but "Christ or utter annihilation and extinction!"

## THE EVANGELISTIC MINISTRY

We must face the fact realistically that the spiritual renewal of our churches and the multiplied conversions, for which we have prayed with hungering hearts, have not yet fully come. This has increasingly impressed itself upon me in my varied experiences as general evangelist. During the past year it was my great privilege and joy to serve 17 of our North American Baptist Churches in special revival and evangelistic meetings. The record shows a total of 541 messages delivered, which resulted in 131 conversions, and the sum of \$1600 being given for our mission causes. Realizing something of the great value of a human soul, we rejoice with unspeakable joy over sinners saved and our backslidden Christians restored to fellowship and blessing.

But at the same time one's heart often bleeds over the meager results attained. Only a part of the churches served were at all prepared for revival. For while some were only poorly prepared for winning souls, others were entirely unprepared for any blessing from God. In nine of

these churches we rejoiced over 114 souls saved, while in six others the Lord was able to give us 17 souls, and in two other churches, although we labored with all diligence for two full weeks in each, not a single soul could be led out of sin to the Savior!

But, realistically and practically, how may our churches be revitalized? Nothing is clearer than that, if our churches are ever to be revitalized, we will have to begin with and deal with each local church individually. There is no magic formula by which our churches can be revitalized en masse. True revival comes only from God, and each individual church must be led back to God in repentance and re-consecration. Sin must be uncovered that it may be judged and forsaken, so that God's Holy Spirit may again reign and work unhindered in our hearts.

While revival comes only from God, and cannot be brought about by any human device or power, yet on the basis of God's sure promise we declare with great assurance, that any church can have revival if it will fulfill the conditions of revival so clearly set forth in God's Word. For God says, "Repent ye, therefore, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord."

## THE CHURCH'S OBSESSION

Revival should therefore become the one passionate purpose and prayer of every church. And what could be more practical and fitting than to tie this great heart-purpose up with the annual revival meetings of the church? But, sad to say, in many so-called revival meetings, judging from the average testimonies, prayers and hymns sung at such meetings, any real desire for, and expectation of revival in and by the church, is more often conspicuous by its absence than by its presence, and one often longs to hear the desperate cry of broken hearts, "I will not let thee go, except thou bless me!"

Revival must therefore be the "magnificent obsession", prayer and passion of the individual church, and must also be made the definite and all-pervading purpose of the annual or special revival meetings. Definite plans to this end should be made, the most suitable time selected, a definite date set, and, if an outside evangelist be required, he should be engaged early enough for all necessary arrangements to be made. Then, immediate steps should be taken to lead all departments of the church in a vital heart-preparation for a real spiritual renewal in the forthcoming meetings.

Very earnestly, consistently and systematically our great responsibility for winning the lost, our overwhelming need of revival, God's eager willingness to send revival, together with the conditions of revival should be set

forth clearly and directly from the Word of God. And usually the observance of a special week of prayer prior to the revival meetings will prove vitally helpful.

In revival, prayer is a most vital factor. Many a gracious visitation from God has been given in answer to importunate and believing prayer, and revival has continued as long as people have continued to pray.

## VISITATION BY MEMBERS

Then, all the circle of the church and community should be carefully listed, and the members and workers of the church should be led to make up personal prayer lists from this roll, covenanting with one another to pray definitely and daily for the salvation of these friends. This vital ministry of intercession should then be further combined and reinforced by a program of systematic visitation, by which every unchurched family and every home with unsaved children or parents in the community should be contacted and cordially invited to both the regular and special services of the church.

Very frequently these workers will have the joy of leading souls to Christ by a friendly visit in the home or shop. Such visitation should be done systematically by the members of the church prior to or during the special meetings, and should not be left to the pastor and evangelist, for they should be left free for other vital efforts.

Great care should also be exercised, to clear up and remove every kind of offense and hindrance among the members prior to the revival meetings. Many a revival meeting has been ruined by a spirit of strife and unforgiveness. Atheists, unbelievers, thieves or drunkards cannot keep a revival from a church, but one Christian with sin in his heart and life can rob a whole community of blessing. No church with trouble or sin among its members, need expect revival.

And last, but not least, thought should also be taken to set aside and to postpone all ordinary and non-essential activities and engagements of the church until after the special meetings. For parties, picnics, suppers, bazaars, young people's programs, and even the regular monthly meetings of the Women's Missionary Society unavoidably divert the attention and often defeat the primary purpose of the revival meetings. Nothing should be allowed to divert the emphasis from soul winning during the revival meetings.

## GOD'S REVIVAL PROMISE

Then let the church confidently look to God for revival, for "again I say unto you, that if two of you shall agree upon earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven."



# Experiences on an Army Hospital Ship

By Surgical Technician **WALTER MARCHAND** of  
Rochester, New York

**D**URING the past year I have been serving as a surgical technician aboard the Army Hospital Ship "Jarrett M. Huddleston." We have made six trips between the United States and England. Our ship has accommodations for 600 patients, so that in all we have transported about 12,000 wounded soldiers.

The part of this experience that I value most highly is the opportunity it has afforded of personal contact with the men who have been forced to undergo the hell from which so many of us have been spared. When one sees the spirit of courage and self-forgetfulness with which so many of these men have carried out what they felt to be their God-given duty, one cannot help feeling a profound admiration. Whatever you or I may think of the ultimate value of the ends which those men aimed to achieve, we cannot help feeling to some extent put to shame by such ruthless loyalty to an ideal, loyalty that could demand any and every conceivable sacrifice.

Especially is this true if we have not always been prepared to take as courageous a stand for our ideals. The courage they have shown is a clear challenge to me. If I think my ideals to be superior to theirs and the ends to which I profess loyalty to be of more enduring value than theirs, then it must certainly follow that I should be expected to bear the burden of that loyalty. And it is not all unlikely that loyalty to my ends may demand of me a price of self-sacrifice akin to theirs in that it has no limitation.

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

Among the personnel of a Hospital Ship there is hardly a person who does not feel this challenge, from the conscientious objector and the doctors and nurses down to the lowliest private. Although the feeling may not always be consciously voiced, it is demonstrated in the general esprit de corps of the ship's personnel. Occasionally, too, the routine of the menial tasks that comes with administering hospital care arouses complaint from the G.I. A ward attendant doesn't always whistle and sing when he has to make beds, or serve trays of food, or brush a patient's teeth, or scrub up the latrine, or run for a suitable container when the ship rocks and patients become seasick. No, at such times the G. I. is not a happy Joe and he gives vent to his feelings in terms of no uncertain vernacular. But as a general rule the members of the ship's complement do their duties conscientiously, a conscientiousness often born of the feeling of respect and admiration for the patients and the price they have paid for their loyalty to an ideal.

The opportunities for service and

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Walter Marchand is well known in our churches for his violin and winning smiles, which were much in evidence during the Rochester Seminary Quartet trip of several years ago. He was a student at the Colgate-Rochester Divinity School of Rochester, New York before his Army Service began. As a conscientious objector, he was given his duties upon a hospital ship. He is married to the former Miss Mamie Kose, a daughter of Mrs. A. S. Kose of Detroit, Mich. Mr. Marchand will continue his seminary studies after his discharge. Editor.

helpfulness that such a situation affords are endless. There are opportunities here that the channels specially designed for that purpose cannot meet because of the nature of the situation. Among all service men, and especially among the returning wounded, there is one outstanding need that is hard to meet. It is so common that it is often overlooked. Yet it is such a basic need that the Army starts out making a conscious effort to meet it and then later finds it easier to get involved in the red tape of programs and drives and large-scale undertakings. The need that I'm thinking about is the need for personal friendship. It is the need for friendship that understands what the soldier has been through, a friendship that sincerely desires to help, that is not sentimental or over-solicitous, but is personal and sympathetic, a friendship based on mutual respect and appreciation that seeks to build self-confidence and self-respect.

Of the several agencies that the Army has created to meet this need, there are the Red Cross, the Chaplaincy, the Special Services division,



Walter Marchand on a Brief Bicycle-Sightseeing Tour of Europe While His Ship Was in Port

and even psychiatrists. Needless to say, the Red Cross has done much good work and no one wants to discount the valuable service it is rendering in so many ways. But for the ordinary soldier it represents a large organization, one to which he has often been forced to donate part of his wages. He has heard of graft and red tape, even if untrue. He remembers field directors driving about overseas in big limousines, and the special treatment by way of preferment or exemption that the Red Cross worker receives. Mind you, I'm not saying that these accusations are true or justified, but they are real in the mind of many soldiers. At best, the organization is one that to him is coldly institutionalized, seldom personal in its administration.

I mentioned psychiatrists a moment ago because there have been so many casualties for them to treat. From 10 to 20 per cent of the patients we carry on the hospital ship are neuro-psychiatric. Probably the over-all figure is higher because hospital ships carry only the more severe mental cases, the less severe being brought back on troop transports. Psychiatry is doing a great deal for these patients, but the service it renders goes only so far. Beyond the line of professional treatment and care there is need for a more personal interest, when the patient must look for guidance from those to whom he can become emotionally attached, whom he can call friends. The ideal psychiatrist might be able to go that far, to have such a sense of social service as to impel him toward rendering sincere, sympathetic help beyond the line of professional duty. But in the Army it is hard to find a psychiatrist who himself is normal, let alone being ideal.

## THE CHAPLAIN AS A FRIEND

The chaplain also has some almost insurmountable barriers to overcome by the very nature of the situation. If he feels devoted to the social gospel he'll find his position almost impossible. He will notice some unfair condition that ought to be changed, but he'll usually find that try as he might it is pretty hard to change the ways of the Army. If he's a personal gospel man he'll find rough going too, for the Army disapproves of personal evangelism. So, you ask, is there anything for the Chaplain?

Yes, by all means, there is a very important thing. But it is in a realm where he will gain very little official recognition, little official appreciation, but an abundance of personal satisfaction. He can be a friend. This may sound to some to be rather insignificant or sentimental, perhaps not at all challenging or inviting. For them the chaplaincy might hold more substan-

tial rewards for I have found it to be almost a truism among Army chaplains that the best men, judging from civilian standards, have the least rank, and vice versa. The greatest opportunity for the sincere chaplain is in being a friend to men who are genuinely in need of one, especially in need of one such as he.

One becomes aware of the need for genuine friendship through contact with the wounded veterans. One of the patients on the ward where I worked had lost the sight of both eyes. There is no hope whatever that he will ever see again. It was among my duties to feed him, to teach him to feed himself, to shave and wash him, to help him dress himself, etc. He had never been up out of bed since his hospitalization and it was my task one day to help him up for the first time. We went out on deck for some sunshine and fresh air. It was a trying experience for me to lead him groping, stumbling to the rail on deck, to let him feel the sunshine and wind on his face, to hear the rushing of the ocean waves. I tried to describe the sight to him—to be his eyes. What a feeble and vain thing! My own eyes could not see well for they were filled to overflowing. After that we went out often together, almost every day, and had many interesting chats, some serious, some gay, some helpful to him, I hope, all of them helpful to me, I know.

## THE MIRACLE OF A PRAYER

From experiences such as these I have learned much. This particular experience made me more aware than I had ever been of the miracle and mystery of sight. What an endless store of joy and beauty our sight brings to life, aside from the usefulness it serves in our very existence. Must we experience such permanent abysmal darkness to value rightly this God-given blessing that brings light to our very souls?

Another patient from whom I learned a great lesson was one who had been in a half-track that was hit by an "88"—the most feared of the German weapons. The half-track went up in flames instantly upon being hit. The driver was killed, but this G.I., through some miracle, he says was able to free himself of the flames. He doesn't know what happened. The first thing he remembers was to find himself rolling around in a puddle of water, bathing his burned face and hands to ease the pain. His head and face were so badly burned that at the time I saw him on our ship it was almost impossible to look at him.

Many nurses and ward men, and even fellow patients, couldn't bear to look him in the face, to talk to him. I mustered up enough will power to go to him and talk to him. It was hard to look him in the eye without flinching, without betraying in my own eyes the pity I felt for him. Strangely enough, this man had a healthy and noble attitude toward his condition. He was well aware of the fact that his appearance was repulsive to people. He said that he felt a genuine sympathy for them and in order to

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# Take Time to Be Holy

An Amazing Testimony of God's Saving and Keeping Power by  
1st Lt. **FREDERICK A. KLING** of the U. S. Air Corps, a Member of the Pilgrim Baptist Church of Jersey City, New Jersey



1st Lt. Frederick A. Kling  
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and of the United States Air Corps

**O**UR B29 stood waiting for the signal to take off for Japan! Presently, the green light in the control tower flashed and our plane shot forward, responding to all the power from those four great engines. Just before the end of the runway, almost seventy tons became airborne.

The crew had named our plane, "I'll Get By," but I felt that this was not its real name. The real name to me was prefixed by, "WITH CHRIST I'll Get By". Regardless of the name, this is just another testimony of many from this war, proving that it pays to have faith in the Master.

The target was the Osaka arsenal, and as we flew on into the early hours of the morning, perhaps on our last combat mission, I knew what awaited us. I had been to Osaka three times before and was aware that the flak in this area was heavy, intense and accurate. But somehow I was not afraid because I knew the Lord was with me. That peace which passeth all understanding surrounded me.

Between Iwo Jima and landfall on Japan, I managed to find time to read the 91st Psalm and prayed that God would again be with me every mile of the way. I had proven many times before that this Psalm was real, a genuine promise to the trusting child of God. Truly, I was abiding under the shadow of the Almighty. Each verse became real to me as my experiences multiplied. It was the source of my strength and peace. Particularly verse seven, "A thousand

shall fall at thy side and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee."

I believed God's promise. Meditating on his Word and communing with him in prayer gave me a peace that cannot be explained. It must be experienced. This same experience was mine on all of my previous missions. It gave me fortitude, knowing that I was helping to trample down the dragon and eventually help to subdue it.

These were the thoughts that kept running through my mind when nearing the coast of Japan.

Our squadron of B29's assembled off the tip of Shikoku; all was in readiness for the destruction of the arsenal. We were flying deputy lead, just to the right of the leader. It was not long before we were at the turning point on a new heading towards the I.P. (initial point). Straight ahead, there were over 300 heavy flak guns concentrated around our target. Soon the flak puffs of smoke appeared before us. Six minutes before "Bombs Away," the leader plane opened its bomb bay doors. Three minutes before "Bombs Away," our doors were opened, signaling to those behind us to open theirs also. Soon the minutes were behind us and only seconds remained.

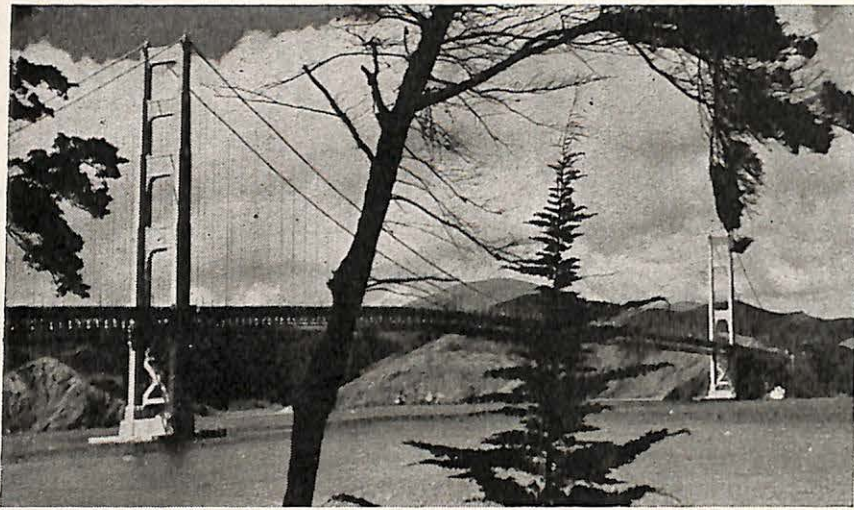
Then four flak bursts crossed over us. The next thing I knew, (wham!), we were hit. The concussion and surprise threw me to the floor, where I lay stunned for a few seconds. Down and down our ship plunged until finally we straightened out. Above us the squadron with its open bomb bays loomed. Somehow, those 2000 pound missiles just about missed us. How I thanked my God!

As soon as we were out of the target area, I examined my compartment to see what had happened. It was literally a mess. A piece of shrapnel from the fourth burst smashed into my compartment, depressurizing the entire plane, cutting the pilot's main control cable, and then in a diverting course, smashed all my instruments. There before me on my desk was a large piece of shrapnel. If it had not struck in exactly the location it did, I perhaps would not be among the living to give this testimony of God's saving and keeping power. But, praise his holy name, I can!

There will be many experiences told, and we who were young in Christ have matured, because we have proven to ourselves over and over the reality of God's abiding hand.

With deep emotion and gratitude in my heart, I thank God for his great love to me, and salute those who have continually prayed for me.





Californians Are Proud of Their Golden Gate Bridge at San Francisco, Which Now Greets Majestically the Service Men Returning from the South Pacific Battlefront

## News Chips from California

By Rev. MARTIN L. LEUSCHNER, Promotional Secretary

WE are a grand, happy family of God in our churches. That was the impression gained by the promotional secretary on a recent trip from Sept. 14 to Oct. 2 to our California churches. Big things are taking place in these fields which shine with luster for the tomorrow.

Some brief news paragraphs about each church and its membership will open the windows into its activities and ministry.

### LODI, CALIFORNIA

The first "Youth for Christ" meeting in Lodi was held at the Baptist Church on Friday evening, Sept. 14, with the Rev. Paul Peterson, director of San Francisco's "Youth for Christ" meetings, as the guest speaker.

The Lodi Baptist Church has many Service Men in all of its services. It has had about 110 stars on its Service Flag. On Sunday, Sept. 16, Cpl. John Hensel of Philadelphia, was in attendance. Mr. Milton Lohr, a son of the former pastor, the late Rev. G. E. Lohr, has recently been discharged from the Army.

The Rev. Albert S. Felberg, now in his eighth year of service as pastor of the church, is a dynamo of energy and enthusiasm. Besides his many tasks as minister of a church of 700 members, he is also taking graduate work at the Berkeley Baptist Divinity School looking toward his Th. D. degree.

The congregation in the Lodi Baptist Church stretches like a large sea of faces around the speaker and is a thrilling sight! The choir, directed by the capable Mr. Calvin Lohr, with the musical genius, Mr. Elton Burgstahler, at the organ contributes to the worshipful adventure of a Lodi church service.

### THE FRANKLIN BAPTIST CHURCH

The Rev. G. G. Rauser, pastor of the Baptist Church at Franklin, Calif., received his degree of Associate in Arts from Sacramento College at nearby Sacramento, Calif., last Spring for the completion of two years of college work. He is hoping to continue his studies at the College of the Pacific at Stockton, Calif.

Mrs. G. G. Rauser has made a good recovery from a very severe illness and critical operation last Spring. She was in a San Francisco hospital for two weeks. The church people showered her with many tokens of goodwill and love during her illness.

The Rev. J. A. H. Wuttke, who is a member of the Franklin Church along with his wife and his two daughters, Theo and Naomi, underwent an operation for the removal of a cataract from his eye early in August. The operation was completely successful. His 75th birthday on July 1st was celebrated by the church with a special program on Sunday, July 8th.

The Rev. John Koschel, formerly of South Dakota, is now in the Franklin area and has been serving as president of the young people's society since Oct. 1944. The young people have found a challenging leader in this minister who although older in years than most of the society's members is youthful and energetic in spirit.

### WASCO, CALIFORNIA

Chaplain Donald G. Davis, the pastor of the church who is on leave of absence, is now at Camp Polk, La., and hopes to be discharged from service before the end of the year. A wonderful pastoral letter from him was read at the morning service on Sunday, Sept. 23, when the promotional secretary was visiting the church.

From Nov. 27 to Dec. 16 Dr. John R. Rice, famous evangelist, will be in Wasco conducting city wide evangelistic meetings to be held in a flame proof tent seating 1000 persons. The tent will be placed on the empty lot adjoining the church building.

Miss Rhoda Funk of the Wasco Church is a student at Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, Pa., this Fall, stressing music and Christian Education in her studies. Another member of the church, Miss Frances Thiessen, who is blind, is studying at the Bible Institute of Los Angeles, Calif., where she is instituting a special series of Braille studies for other blind young people.

The interim pastor, Rev. T. Coulombe, is a graduate of the Bible Institute of Los Angeles. He and his wife enjoy their family of two children, Marilyn and John Paul. He has been serving the Wasco Church since the first of the year 1945 and the church work has been in capable hands during these months.

### FIFTEENTH ST. CHURCH, LOS ANGELES

The Fifteenth Street Church of Los Angeles received a new coat during the past summer with a fine paint job. In addition to that, the church is nearing the \$8,000 mark in raising funds for its new church building.

The Rev. Edmund Mittelstedt continues his aggressive leadership uninterruptedly as pastor of the Fifteenth Street Church. He directs the large church choir of about 30 voices which has been called "one of the finest of our church choirs in the entire Pacific Conference", makes numerous visits in the large Los Angeles Area, and is supervising a fine program of spiritual activities for his church.

The church has recently enjoyed the visit of Florence Eisele, one of two missionaries whom it is helping to support. Miss Eisele resumed her work with the Latin American Mission Society in Mexico on Sept. 7. The church is also expecting the return of Mrs. Florence Wessel Dilworth for her furlough after her term of missionary service in the Tanganyika Ugandi territory of Africa. Mrs. Edith Koppin Hufnagel, a former missionary in the Cameroons of Africa, is also a member of the church.

The annual program of the young people's society was held on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 30, with Mr. Walter Heiman, president, in charge. The play, "A Greater Vision", was directed by Miss Bert Mehling, who, in spite of a painful ankle injury, took part in the play, participated in the choir, and sang a lovely trio number with Evelyn Walrath and Mary Jane Heiman. The Reverends K. Feldmeth, R. Vasel and Henry F. K. Hengstler were also in attendance at the anniversary program.

### BETHEL CHURCH, ANAHEIM

The Bethel Church of Anaheim has bought a large doctor's clinic across the street from the church for \$11,500 for use as a Sunday School annex to

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# CHILDREN'S PAGE

Miss ESTHER SCHULTZ, 510 Wellington, Chicago 14, Illinois

## A LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

By Miss Esther Shultz, Editor of "The Children's Page"

Dear Boys and Girls:

I am sitting in a room on the fifth floor writing this page, and as I write I can look far out across the water and see the beauty of the water that God has made. I am also looking down on homes where many boys and girls just like you live. They go to school in the day time, come home to duties which all have in a family. Each child has moments when he is happy and also those when he is sad.

This morning we were looking at that very beautiful passage in Psalm 29, verse 2, which says: "Ascribe unto the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy array". It is true that the writer was telling the heavenly beings to praise God. The trees, flowers, grass, birds, are all the garments of God, so to speak, for they tell us of him.

Look with me at the words, "holy array". I like to think that when we wash and dress extra carefully, polish our shoes, comb our hair for Sunday School and church, we are showing the respect due God. That is not all! The greatest thing of all is to prepare our hearts and minds to worship him.

Most of us do not even take the time to think what it means to worship God. Do you come to church because you want to know about God? Do you carefully and prayerfully study your lesson? Do you ever wonder why the words were written? What is the Bible teaching us today?

For example: suppose your class is studying the life of Christ. Before you can study all the things Jesus did, it is well to know something of the country, how they traveled, what the people were, who the Sadducees and the Pharisees were. Why didn't they like what Jesus was teaching? I promise that if you study your lessons that way, you will find it most interesting!

Do you pray that God will prepare your heart and mind so that you can get something from the message which the pastor has for you? Hearing is only one part of the service. Do your part by inviting those who are new in your church to come again. Make sure that you fill your place in the pew every Sunday. Try to be on time to church. I may be wrong, but it certainly does not look right for a Christian to be a poor example.

In our churches all over the country we are now preparing for our Thanksgiving Festivals. Let us as boys and girls prepare our pieces well, be prompt, and above all thank God

and praise him for all the blessings which are ours this year.

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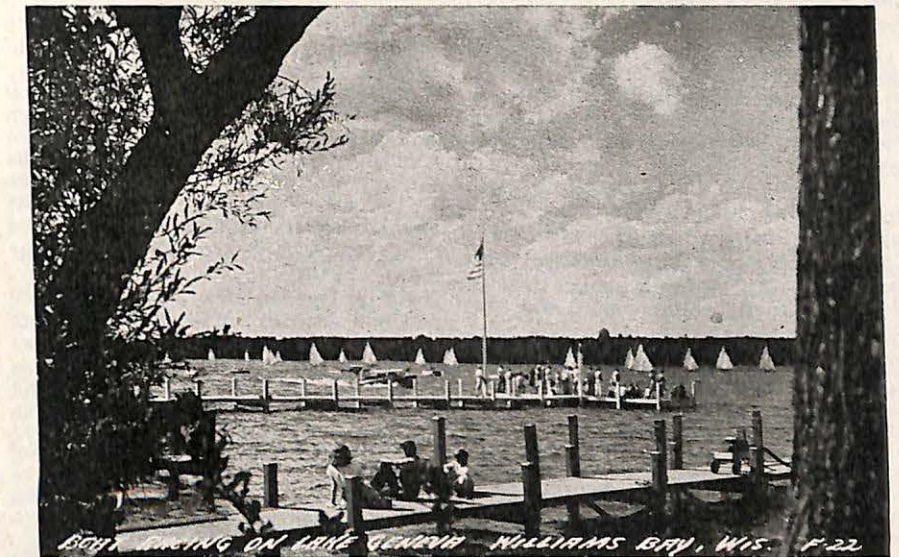
## SOME BIBLE CHARACTERS

I am describing a few Bible characters and will tell you where they are found in the Bible, in case you can not answer them.

he had had that interesting experience on the road to Damascus with Jesus, his life changed so completely that he became our first great missionary.

Acts 9.

5. This man was an important man in the Syrian army. He was ill with leprosy. A little slave maid came to love his wife and she told her of the



Sail Boats Spread Out Their Wings on Lake Geneva in Wisconsin

1. This person is found in the Old Testament. He found favor with God; he was given careful instructions in the making of a building. It was called an ..... He, his family and animals, which God told him to put in, were to be sealed in this place. This man at six hundred years was doing the will of God.

Genesis 6.

2. He was a Governor. He is best remembered for his decision in a case that was brought before him. He was more interested in keeping his job than he was in doing justice. We have men today who are more interested in pleasing people than doing justice. He freed a murderer. His most famous writing is "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews."

The Gospels.

3. He may be called "the Father of his people." His name was changed when he was a man of ninety-nine years. He loved his son, but would have killed him except for the voice of an angel. The name of his first wife was Sarai—later it was changed to Sarah.

Genesis 17-23.

4. He was born in a city in Cilicia. He was a very well educated Jew; he worked very hard to capture all the Christians he could find so that he could see Christianity wiped out. When

prophet of her people. This Elisha was able to help him be cured. At first he refused to go to the river Jordan, but he was cured of the disease.

Kings 2-5.

6. We remember him in Bible history for the events which took place during the last week of his life. He was a disciple of Christ's and his task seems to have been the handling of the monies. It was strange that a man who lived so close to Jesus committed suicide.

Matt. 10-26.

7. Hannah was his mother's name. When he was very young he was taken to the Temple to serve God there. One night he heard God speaking to him. He became the prophet of the Lord. Two books of the Old Testament bear his name.

I Samuel 1-5.

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## A REMINDER

Just a reminder that you may still get library books by writing to me. I am sorry that all the books we sent out have not been returned. I sent out my personal copy of "Children of North Africa," which has not yet been returned. Will you please return the books as soon as you can, so that the other children who write can also have them. Thank you!







## CENTRAL CONFERENCE

### Reception for the Rev. and Mrs. V. H. Prendinger at the Round Lake Church of Michigan

On a recent Sunday evening the Rev. and Mrs. Victor H. Prendinger, who served the Pilgrim Baptist Church of Jersey City, N. J., for 21 years and then accepted a call from the Round Lake Baptist Church near Gladwin, Mich., were officially welcomed to their work on this field. Mr. H. Landenberger, one of our deacons, acted as chairman and a fine program was carried out.

The Rev. G. Zimmerman and a large group of the Beaver Baptist Church near Midland, Mich., were present to help beautify the occasion. Songs were sung by the Sunday School superintendent, Mr. A. R. Wolfe and his daughters, Viola and JoAnn, Mrs. Roland Hill and also the Ladies' Missionary Society. Mrs. J. Steinkranz gave an interesting reading and Miss Betty Schmidt recited a poem. Words of welcome were given by various representatives of the church and the pastors present.

Harvey Gertz, Reporter.

### Rally Day Services at the Fourth Ave. Baptist Church of Alpena, Michigan

Sept. 16 was a day of many blessings for all who attended the Rally Day services at the Fourth Ave. Baptist Church of Alpena, Mich. All the services of the day were very well attended. The senior choir sang in the morning service and our pastor, the Rev. W. J. Luebeck, brought very fitting Rally Day messages.

A short program followed the Sunday School class. Three Primary pupils who were promoted to Junior classes received Bibles from the Sunday School. We were then favored with songs by the Beginners and Primary classes and the Junior Girls' Class. A duet was sung by William Schmidt and Richard Weinkauff.

In the evening service we had the privilege of hearing the Junior choir sing for the first time. This choir of approximately 15 members was recently organized and is under the direction of Mr. Joseph Timm, who with his family moved here recently from Detroit, Mich. Numbers were also rendered by the Men's Quartet and the Senior choir. The Senior choir has doubled in membership under the fine leadership of our pastor, Mr. Luebeck. A very inspiring message was then brought by our pastor, speaking on the subject, "Filled with the Fullness of God."

After the Sunday evening service on Sept. 23 the young people held a meeting and voted to begin B. Y. P. U. meetings. These meetings are to be held the first Sunday of each month following the evening service. The following officers were elected: Leonard Schwenke, president; Ruth Luebeck, vice-president; Joan McMillan, secretary; and Alma Paad, treasurer.

Alma Paad, Reporter.



Rev. and Mrs. William Jeschke of the Grace Baptist Church of Chicago, Illinois

### Reception for Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Jeschke and Ordination at Chicago's Grace Church

A very important event occurred at the Grace Baptist Church of Chicago, Ill., when we had the pleasure of tendering the official reception to our new pastor, Rev. William H. Jeschke, and his wife, Elsie.

The main auditorium of the church was well filled with our own members and members of visiting churches together with their pastors, who were called upon to give the new pastor words of encouragement, advice, and good wishes. Dr. J. E. Knechtel presided at the meeting. Rev. J. C. Gunst, secretary of the Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union, offered prayer. The choir sang several appropriate selections, and Dr. William Kuhn gave the closing address, illustrating his talk to the new pastor and his wife with gems of wisdom that only a man of his experience could give.

Representatives of the various organizations of the church were called upon to greet the new pastor, after which he and his wife were given an opportunity to reply to the many hearty greetings.

A very impressive ordination service was held on Tuesday, October, 9, with Rev. C. B. Nordland presiding. The choir rendered three very fine selections, and the ordination sermon was preached by Rev. R. P. Jeschke of Dayton, Ohio, a cousin of the new pastor.

The charge to the candidate was given by the Rev. Stanley Geis of the Ogden Park Church, and the ordination prayer offered by the Rev. Theodore W. Dons of Ellinwood, Kansas, the father-in-law of the new pastor. The choir rendered a response at the close of the prayer. The welcome into the ministry was given by the Rev. John Schmidt, pastor of the First Church, and the charge to the church was given by Dr. William Kuhn, after which the Rev. William A. Jeschke pronounced the benediction.

The Ladies' Aid Society had prepared refreshments in the lower auditorium, and the opportunity was given to congratulate the new pastor who is the ninth in the history of the Grace Baptist Church over a period of 61 years.

We are praying for God's blessing in this new union, and hope that our united efforts will help win souls for the Kingdom of God in our community.

Elizabeth Steinke, Church Clerk.

### Sacred Concert by the Walnut Street Baptist Church Choir of Cincinnati, Ohio

The members and friends of the Walnut Street Baptist Church of Cincinnati, Ohio enjoyed a sacred concert on Sunday evening, September 2nd. The program consisted of ten well known anthems sung by the choir and four solos by Frederick Hoffmann who was the director of the choir for the summer.

Mr. Hoffmann was a former student at our Rochester Baptist Seminary and is now studying at the University of Rochester. On several occasions in the absence of the Rev. Robert Konitz he supplied the pulpit and conducted mid-week prayer services.

After the program, the choir met in the Sunday School room for refreshments and listened to the recordings of the concert. At this time the choir presented Mr. Hoffmann with a gift in appreciation of his untiring efforts on its behalf. The choir and church have been truly blessed during this summer season of work and worship.

M. L. Schmidt, Reporter.

## PACIFIC CONFERENCE

### Three Day Youth Rally at the Baptist Church of Lodi, California

A three day Youth Rally at the First Baptist Church of Lodi, California, opened with a "Youth for Christ" meeting on Friday evening, September 14. The Rev. Paul Petersen and Rev. M. L. Leuschner, assisted by Rev. Vincent Coletta, were the special guests at this service in the Baptist Church, of which Rev. A. S. Felberg is the pastor and Mr. Elmer Zachay assistant pastor. Rev. Paul Peterson is the director of the "Youth for Christ" movement in San Francisco, Calif.

Seminar classes were held on Saturday morning, at which the Rev. M. L. Leuschner of Forest Park, Illinois and Mr. Peterson very effectively lectured to a large number of people in attendance.

On Saturday afternoon an outdoor fellowship was held at the Lodi Lake Park. In the evening, denominational and missionary pictures were shown by Mr. Leuschner, the promotional secretary of our denomination.

Sunday formed the highlight of the days with the holding of four special services, addressed by Mr. Leuschner on spiritual and denominational themes.

Another full time worker for the Lodi Baptist Church has been added to the staff with Miss Martha Roth coming to us from the Trinity Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon. Miss Roth will assist in the missionary work of the church, besides her secretarial duties.

Mrs. Edwin C. Wolff, Reporter.

### Anniversary Program of the Bethany Women's Missionary Society of Vancouver, B. C.

The Ladies' Missionary Society of the Bethany Church of Vancouver, British Columbia, held its annual program on August 12th. The president of the society, Mrs. E. Becker, was in charge of the program. A dialogue was successfully rendered by several members of the society. In addition, there were various recitations, songs, and anthems by both the mixed and male choirs of the church. The pastor, Rev. E. Becker, gave an address relevant to the work of the organization.

We are grateful for God's guidance during the past year, in which we had 12 meetings. Nine of the sessions were regular meetings, and the others were a birthday festival, a Christmas program and a Mother's Day program. Our meetings are always devotional whereby each member has the opportunity to take part and be spiritually edified. Although we are only a small group, the society is contributing toward home and foreign missions. The mission offering, which was received at our annual program amounted to \$64.50.

Gifts are also given to the sick as they are visited by representatives of the society. Within the last six months 202 calls were made by various members. There was also an increase in our membership within the last year. At the present, we have reached the membership of 30 women, several being on the honor roll. The ordinary attendance is from 15 to 20 women.

Mrs. A. Drude, Secretary.

## NORTHWESTERN CONFERENCE

### Recent Activities and Planned Memorial Service for the Meyers at Racine, Wisconsin

On Sunday evening, Sept. 30th, we of the Grace Baptist Church in Racine, Wis., had the privilege of hearing Chaplain Ernest Miller relate his experiences in connection with his work with Service Men at the Veterans Hospital in Maywood, Ill. Special music was furnished by Dr. and Mrs. B. Nelson of Wheaton, Ill.

Our Sunday School has been promoting some very interesting programs during the past weeks. Mr. Phil. Foxwell, one of America's outstanding magician-preachers, presented a program which proved most entertaining and instructive to the children and adults.

We were fortunate in having Mr. Lance Latham and his "White Shirt Brigade" pay us a visit. A splendid program was rendered by the young people in this group and it was a real inspiration to hear them witness for Christ in message and song. Mr. Latham also brought his band of 25 young people with him.

The annual birthday celebration of the Women's Missionary Society was held in the church parlors on Oct. 11th. Mrs. Walter Grosser of Forest Park, Ill., was the special speaker on this occasion. Following the program a social hour was enjoyed and acquaintances renewed.

Although a bit late in reporting the following, we feel mention should be made of the fact that the Long Lake Bible Camp, conducted each summer, of which our pastor, Rev. R. Schlader, is dean, was the best ever this year. Seven young people accepted the Lord, 23 volunteered for Christian service and 5 reconsecrated their lives to him. Vacation Bible School, too, was a success with a total enrollment of 119 pupils, 13 teachers and officers. Twelve children made a professional faith in Christ.

On Nov. 11th the choir will render the cantata, "The Holy City." A special memorial service is planned at that time in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Meyer who lost their lives in the Philippines while in custody of the Japanese. Mrs. Meyer will be remembered as Ruth Schacht, who was a member of our church.

The Men's Brotherhood and the Kupples Klub have resumed their Fall activities and have plans for interesting meetings. Many of our young people have been attending the "Youth for Christ" meetings which are being held in Racine and Kenosha each Saturday evening.

Rev. James Hilker, missionary to Africa, showed moving pictures of his work in his field, in connection with his message, at one of the Sunday evening services recently.

Viola Goedeke, Reporter.

## CHIPS FROM CALIFORNIA

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be used by the Beginners, Primary and Junior departments. It is a building of 14 rooms with auditorium space for 300 people.

On Thanksgiving Day it will be one year since the Rev. P. G. Neumann began his ministry in Anaheim. He has set many high goals for the church, including an attendance of 400 for the Sunday School, a new high for the Sunday evening services, and a vigorous evangelistic program. The results have already been encouraging and heartening.

The Rev. O. R. Schroeder, a former pastor of the church, is still active in teaching the Men's Baraca Class in the Sunday School, which he has taught since its beginning more than 20 years ago. Mrs. Schroeder has not been so well during the summer and fall months, and there are many friends everywhere who are remembering her in prayer.

A male chorus of 29 voices has been reorganized by the Rev. P. G. Neumann. The men sing at church services and at outside functions in and near Anaheim. The church choir of 25 voices is directed by Mr. Walter Schroeder. Miss Esther Leuschner is the church organist. An orchestra has been recently organized with the Rev. Howard A. Greene as director.

### NOVEMBER 8, 1945!

Nov. 8, 1945 will mark the tenth anniversary of the homegoing of Missionary Carl J. Bender in the Cameroons. The next issue of "The Herald" will announce an important article about Missionary C. J. Bender's abiding influence and ministry.

## :: OBITUARY ::

### MRS. HERMAN JAHNKE of North Freedom, Wisconsin

Mrs. Clara Josephine Jahnke, nee Zochert, of Ableman, Wisconsin, was born Oct. 24, 1871 in Brushville, Wisconsin, and died Oct. 5, 1945 at the age of 67 years, 11 months and 11 days.

In 1904, under the ministry of the Rev. Julius Kaaz, she accepted Jesus as her Savior and followed him in baptism, uniting with the Baptist Church of North Freedom, Wisconsin.

On Nov. 24, 1909 she was married to Mr. Herman Jahnke and to this union one daughter, Elsie, was born. During the past years failing health was her lot in life. She grew steadily weaker and in July of this year she became bedfast. It was then her desire and prayer that she might soon go to be with her Lord. God heard and answered her prayers and took her to be with him at 2:15 on the morning of Oct. 5th.

Her passing leaves to mourn her grief-stricken husband and daughter, one sister, one brother and a host of other relatives and friends.

North Freedom, Wisconsin

THOMAS LUTZ, Pastor.

### MRS. KATHERINE ALLERDINGS of Plevna, Montana

Mrs. Katherine Allerdings, nee Schauer, of Plevna, Montana, was born at Long Lake, So. Dak., on August 20, 1888 where she also spent her childhood days. In 1910 she was married to John Allerdings, and they moved to the vicinity of Plevna, Mont., on a farm, where they raised a family of four children, two boys, Herbert and Gustave, and two girls, Emma Fisher of Hazelton, No. Dak., and Ida, of San Francisco, Calif. Much to the credit of Mrs. Allerdings their farm home showed good judgment and management.

About two years ago she began ailing and last summer she was compelled to spend some time in the hospital. In August of this year she was confined to her bed when she suffered a stroke and heart attack causing her death on the 29th of August. She was born into a living faith during her childhood days and baptized in 1920 by the Rev. H. P. Kayser. She was a quiet but faithful member of the Plevna Church unto death. Her last wish was "to go home."

She leaves to mourn her early passing her husband, four children, two grandchildren, 3 sisters and 2 brothers, living near Leola, So. Dak. The Rev. J. J. Renz of George, Iowa and the undersigned spoke words of consolation.

Plevna, Montana

DAVID LITCKE, Pastor.

### MRS. ANNA MAE BENTON of Dallas, Texas

Mrs. Anna Mae Benton, nee Mueller, of Dallas, Texas, was born at Gatesville, Texas, on December 25, 1920, and passed away at the Navy Hospital in Oakland, California, on September 17, 1945. At the age of 9 years she accepted Christ as her Savior, was baptized by the Rev. C. C. Laborne and united with the Bethel Heights Church of Gatesville, Texas. Here it was where she spent her early years of life with her parents. As a young woman she came to Dallas, Texas, where on October 28, 1943 she joined hands in holy matrimony with Wm. J. Benton. On December 5, 1943 she united with the Carroll Avenue Baptist Church of Dallas, to which she remained most faithful until her untimely death.

When her husband joined the U. S. Navy, she remained true to her promise that nothing but death should part them. Wherever and whenever possible she followed him and maintained a friendly home for him during these years.

She leaves to mourn her departure: her husband, still in the Navy; her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Mueller; 8 sisters; one brother; and a host of relatives and friends. Thus again the Lord has taken a most faithful servant unto himself where she may enjoy the reward of her faithful service. Rev. W. Helwig spoke words of comfort based on Rev. 14:13, assisted by the Rev. W. H. Bunning of Gatesville.

Carroll Avenue Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas

W. HELWIG, Pastor.



**ON an Army Hospital Ship**

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avoid embarrassing them he tried to keep from looking at them if he thought that they were looking at him. I shall never forget the words with which he lightly passed off his condition. He said, "Oh, I'm in pretty good shape for the shape I'm in!"

I asked him how he came about such a fine attitude. He told me of a chaplain coming to him just as he left the operating room with his head one big mass of bandages so that he couldn't even look out to see who the chaplain was. But he recalls that a prayer was uttered over him. He has forgotten exactly what was said in that prayer, but he remembers that in that moment he determined, come what may, he wouldn't let anything "get him down." One short prayer determined that man's future life-attitude. Who knows how many more countless lives have been so changed by a simple prayer sincerely uttered?

It is not only the prayer on the battlefield that can so change life attitudes. I wish that it were within my ability to testify adequately to the power of some of the prayers which have been offered for me. Many is the time within the past two years that I have felt the need to say, literally, "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills."

I have felt the call of that spirit again and again, a call for uncompromising loyalty to Christ. Do you question that that loyalty is ever put to the test?—"Lord, when saw I thee hungry and fed thee not, or thirsty and gave thee not drink? When saw I thee a stranger and took thee not in? Or naked and clothed thee not? Or when saw I thee sick, or in prison, and came not unto thee? Verily, I say unto you, Inasmuch as you did it not to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it not to me."

**CORRECTION!**

Due to a typographical error, the book, "112 FAMILIAR HYMNS" was advertised in the October 15th issue of the Baptist Herald at \$2.25 per copy. This should have been 25 cents per copy. See corrected ad below.

**JUST THE THING!**

Many church organizations have need of a small hymn book that can be carried from place to place with ease. For the meeting in the home or in some special room, or in the park, 112 familiar hymns and gospel songs compiled by Homer Rodeheaver—George W. Sanfield. Size of book 5 3/4 x 8 1/4 inches, bound in an exceptionally strong paper cover. Contains a splendid selection of songs—the old favorites that always live! The price is within reach of all. Here is a real value at 25 cents per copy.

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**A Gift of \$100 for the Seminary Endowment Fund in Memory of Prof. H. M. Schaeffer**

(A Letter by Mr. Harry G. Mengel of Flint, Michigan, a Son of the Late Rev. G. Mengel Who Faithfully Served Several of Our Churches)

I enjoyed very much the picture taken in 1891 of the Rochester Baptist Seminary faculty and student body as reproduced in the Oct. 1, 1945 issue of "The Baptist Herald," and desire to contribute \$100.00 to the Seminary Endowment Fund in loving memory of Professor H. M. Schaeffer who visited us in Kankakee, Illinois about fifty years ago when I was about twelve years old. I shall never forget the impression he made on my young mind. I admired him very much and thought him to be the most brilliant man in the world. It is certainly a great pleasure and a privilege to honor his memory with a gift of \$100.00 to the Seminary Endowment Fund as a loving tribute to the memory which I cherish of his visit with us.

**SEPTEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS — — NORTH AMERICAN BAPTIST GENERAL CONFERENCE**

Conference	SEPTEMBER 1945	SEPTEMBER 1944
Atlantic . . . . .	\$ 2,216.62	\$ 1,519.66
Eastern . . . . .	1,315.58	902.16
Central . . . . .	3,304.78	2,562.05
Northwestern . . . . .	3,168.72	1,279.00
Southwestern . . . . .	2,831.51	2,283.76
Southern . . . . .	797.18	652.20
Pacific . . . . .	2,690.00	3,320.97
Northern . . . . .	314.22	605.51
Dakota . . . . .	3,044.09	1,774.34
<b>Totals . . . . .</b>	<b>\$19,682.70</b>	<b>\$14,899.65</b>

**Fellowship Fund for World Emergencies**

September 1945 . . . . .	\$ 5,150.07
September 1944 . . . . .	\$ 1,465.97
Total to Sept. 29, 1945 . . . . .	\$142,113.99

**Seminary Endowment Fund**

September 1945 . . . . .	\$ 1,719.18
September 1944 . . . . .	\$ 2,642.51
Total to Sept. 29, 1945 . . . . .	\$ 87,144.75

**Christian Training Institute Building Fund**

September 1945 . . . . .	\$ 513.30
Total to Sept. 29, 1945 . . . . .	\$ 16,372.74

**Do You Know That...?**

Column Edited by the  
**REV. A. R. BERNADT**  
of Burlington, Iowa



President Truman is a Baptist, but his wife and daughter are members of the Episcopal Church.

A college education never hurts a man if he is willing to learn a little something after his graduation.

St. Johns Cathedral in New York, N. Y., is starting a drive for ten million dollars to complete their sanctuary.

It is said that profits, not prophets, often foretell the future.

The Lord's Prayer has been banned in the Flushing, N. Y., schools.

Many of the jokes of this column could be labeled Bob Feller—no hit.

The handsome evangelist B. D. Clifford is said to have turned down a million dollar movie contract in favor of the ministry.

The windshield that won't shatter was an improvement, but now give us rubber telegraph poles.

Myron Taylor was reconfirmed as presidential representative to the Vatican by President Truman.

By the time father gets the vacation bills paid for, it is time to think about Christmas presents.

Brooklyn, N. Y., held another annual Sunday School parade with 85,000 present and marching in review for Governor Dewey and Lt. Governor Hanley.

The fellow who thinks himself a wit is usually half right.

Negro Baptists have more churches than any other religious group in America with a total of 23,092; Roman Catholics have 18,406, and Methodists are third with 18,349.

It is alright to have a train of thought if you also have a terminal.

There are 1,500,000 persons in the Northern Baptist Convention; 5,900,000 in the Southern Baptist Convention, and 3,900,000 in the National (Colored) Convention.

Glamour is when the value of the package exceeds that of the contents.

Gold is mentioned 386 times in the Old Testament but only 26 times in the New Testament.

Talk is cheap because the supply always exceeds the demand.

Anti-Jewish sentiment is also rising in Scotland due to the Jews ability to acquire money and property.

All the Constitution guarantees is the pursuit of happiness. You have to catch up with it yourself.

A durable peace is one that after ten or fifteen years will stand up to the test of conscience.

The trouble with a white lie is that it soon clouds up!